HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 133 By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Officer Ronnie Pryor upon being named the Maryville Police Department's Officer of the Year for 2000.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those public servants who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Officer Ronnie Pryor, who has been named the Maryville Police Department's Officer of the Year for 2000; and

WHEREAS, as a Field Training Officer with the Patrol Division, Officer Pryor has served the department with acumen and alacrity for twelve years; and

WHEREAS, as Coordinator of the Reserve Officer Program, Ronnie Pryor is directly involved in the recruitment, selection, and training of new candidates, and he oversees the day-to-day activities of the program; and

WHEREAS, the singular quality of Officer Pryor's work is evidenced by the fact that an extremely high number of Reserve Officers later move into full-time positions with the department; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of William Blount High School, Officer Pryor also holds an Associate's Degree from Hiwassee College; and

WHEREAS, Officer Ronnie Pryor epitomizes the spirit and commitment that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Officer Pryor is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Melody; and

WHEREAS, he is a devoted father to his four children, Chris (age 13), Shawn (age 12), Destiny (age 4), and Ben (age 2); and

WHEREAS, he owes a debt of gratitude to his loving parents, the late Reverend Charles Pryor and Ann Pryor, for their love and support provided the foundation for him to grow into the remarkable man he is today; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Officer Ronnie Pryor for his dedication to the state of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Officer Ronnie Pryor for his meritorious service to the state of Tennessee, congratulate him upon being named the Maryville Police Department's Officer of the Year for 2000, and extend to him and his family our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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